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Sir:

In satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants wish to draw the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to the references cited on the accompanying form PTO-1449. Since copies of these references were provided either by the Applicants or the Examiner in United States Serial No. 09/782,004, filed February 12, 2001, or 09/419,351, filed October 15, 1999, upon which the instant applicant relies for its priority date, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), no copies of these references are enclosed herewith.

As required by M.P.E.P. §2001.06(b) Applicant notes that the present application is related to the following patent applications: (1) U.S.S.N. 09/058,459, filed April 10, 1998 (now Pat. No. 6,188,965); (2) U.S.S.N. 09/127,926, filed July 31, 1998 (now Pat. No.

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6,269,312); (3) U.S.S.N. 09/714,357, filed November 15, 2000; (4) U.S.S.N. 09/812,034, filed March 19, 2001; (5) U.S.S.N. 09/827,960, filed April 4, 2001; (6) U.S.S.N. 09/837,886, filed

April 18, 2001; and (7) U.S.S.N. 10/057,52, filed January 25, 2002.

None of the foregoing references are believed to disclose the invention as claimed.

Nothing herein shall constitute an admission concerning the contents of any of the cited

references, nor shall the inclusion of a reference herein be considered an admission that the

reference constitutes prior art against the invention claimed in the above-identified

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Respectfully submitted,

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